GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
LOK SABHA

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LABORATORIES TO DETECT FAKE DRUG
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether a consumer can take strip of medicine and get it tested in any authorized laboratory to detect a fake drug; and

(b) if so, the names and addresses of such laboratories in Delhi, Hyderabad and Kolkata?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SMT. PANABAKA LAKSHMI)

(a) Yes, Sir. As per the provisions of Section 26 of the Drugs and Cosmetics Act 1940 that any person or any recognized consumers Association, whether such person is a Member of that Association or not can, on application, in prescribed manner and on payment of the prescribed fee, be entitled to submit for test or analysis to a Government Analyst any drug or cosmetic purchased by him or it and to receive a report of such test or analysis signed by the Government Analyst.

(b) The consumers of Delhi, Hyderabad and Kolkata can send drug, under the provisions of Section 26 of the Drugs & Cosmetics Act, purchased by him for test or analysis to the Laboratories of State Government Analyst of Delhi, Andhra Pradesh and West Bengal respectively.